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In re Application of
Ravkin et al
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: PETITION DECISION

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed on October 30, 2003 for withdrawal of holding of abandonment of the above identified application based on failure to receive an Office action. The delay in acting on this petition is regretted.

A review of the file history shows that the examiner mailed a Restriction requirement on May 07, 2002. Applicant file a response on 9/16/2002 electing Group I without traverse. A Supplemental restriction requirement was mailed on November 11, 2002. Upon failure to receive a reply to the Supplemental restriction requirement, a Notice of Abandonment was mailed to applicants on July 11, 2003. On October 30, 2003 applicants filed the Petition to withdraw the abandonment along with the Docket reports showing that no Supplemental restriction requirement was received in this application. In view of the evidence presented the Notice of Abandonment is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for mailing of a Supplemental Restriction.

Inasmuch as this petition was decided under 37 CFR 1.181 no petition fee is required and the petition fee paid of \$130.00 will be credited to applicants' Deposit Account No. 11-1540.

Should there be any questions about this decision please contact Jean F. Vollano, by letter addressed to Director, TC 1600, at the address listed above, or by telephone at 571-272-0648 or by facsimile sent to the general Office facsimile number.



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Exhibit A

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